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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

<b>ADDRESS TO:</b>  <b>Commissioner for Patents</b> <b>Box MISSING PARTS</b> <b>Washington, D.C. 20231</b>	Attorney Docket No.:	MBHB00-581
	Application No.:	09/872,904
	Filing Date:	05/31/01
	First Named Inventor:	Nix
	Group Art Unit:	2661
Examiner:		

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application to and including February 2, 2002.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

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|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))    | \$     |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Two Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))   | \$     |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Three Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Four Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))  | \$1440 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Five Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))  | \$     |

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ 720.00.

☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 13-2490. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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Signature	
Date	February 4, 2002

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